(2) Himachal Pradesh Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya, Palampur.

(3) Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi.

(4) Mahatama Phule Krishi Vidyapeeth, Rahuri.

(5) Punjabrao Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola.

(6) Jawaharlal Nehru Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya, Jabalpur.

(7) Kerala Agricultural University, Trichur.

International Symposium on Endangered Marine Animals

2115. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY:

PROF. B. RAMACHANDRA RAO:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have taken note of the consideration and deliberation at the International Symposium on Endangered Marine Animals held in Cochin in early 1985;

(b) whether it is a fact that endangered species like turtles have been intensively fished by foreign boats near the Orissa coast;

(c) what measures Government are taking to ensure that foreign chartered boats do not fish endangered species in our waters ; and

(d) the details of safeguards and procedures of inspection?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDULAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) The Government have no information about any International Symposium on the subject at Cochin. However, a National Symposium on Management and Conservation of Endangered Marine Animals was organised by Marine Biological Association of India in January, 1985 at Cochin. It is reported that the recommendations of the Symposium have not yet been finalised.

(b) No such report has been received in this regard.

(c) and (d) As per the Rules under the Maritime Zones of India (Regulation of Fishing by Foreign Vessels) Act, 1981 the charterer shall ensure that no fishing is done for the protected species covered under the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972. The operaions of the foreign chartered fishing vesels are closely monitored by the Coast Guard. The inspection of the catch of the chartered fishing vessels is conducted by the customs authorities as well as designated officers apopinted by this Minisry, before the vessels sail to their home ports for the sale of the catch.

Relay through INSAT-1B

2116. PROF. B. RAMACHANDRA RAO:

SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether INSAT-1B is being used for relay and rebroad-casting of radio transmissions from some All India Radio stations in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 89 centres of AIR have been linked with the main studios at New Delhi through the five uplink channels at Delhi via INSAT-1B. The additional uplinks at Bombay, Calcutta and Madras are likely to be completed by the end of this year.